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## MeSH Term Information

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<b>Entry Term</b>	Cancer Staging
<b>Entry Term</b>	Staging, Neoplasm
<b>Entry Term</b>	Tumor Staging
<b>Entry Term</b>	Staging, Cancer
<b>Entry Term</b>	Staging, Tumor
<b>Concept</b>	Neoplasm Staging
<b>Descriptor Entry Version</b>	NEOPL STAGING
<b>Annotation Note</b>	= degree of spread of neopl (do not confuse with "grading" which = degree of malignancy); staging is given in roman numerals, grading in arabic; Manual 24.4.1.12+; usually NIM with no qualif + neopl terms /pathol (IM); IM as technique & general only & when IM, qualif permitted; relation to /pathol & differentiation from classification: TN 214; DF: NEOPL STAGING
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<b>Definition</b>	Methods which attempt to express in replicable terms the extent of the neoplasm in the patient.

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### staging (staj'ing)

1. The determination or classification of distinct phases or periods in the course of a disease or pathological process. 2. The determination of the specific extent of a disease process in an individual patient. **Jewett and Strong** *s.* obsolete term for *s.* of bladder carcinoma: O, noninvasive; A, with submucosal invasion; B, with muscle invasion; C, with invasion of perivascular fat; D, with lymph node (lymph node) metastasis. **TNM** *s.* a system of clinicopathologic evaluation of tumors based on the extent of tumor involvement at the primary site (T, followed by a number indicating size and depth of invasion), and lymph node (lymph node) involvement (N) and metastasis (M) each followed by a number starting at 0 for no evident metastasis; numbers used depend on the organ involved and influence the prognosis and choice of treatment.

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